

## MOTOR FUELS UPDATE

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## Electronic Filing for 1999

Beginning with the January, 1999 Nebraska motor fuels tax returns, all licensed suppliers and terminal operators normally reporting 100,000 gallons or more on a monthly basis must file electronically. While the law does not require other fuel tax filers to file electronically, we certainly encourage them to do so.

In keeping with modern technology, we have developed a Web site at: **http://www.nol.org/revenue/fuels/fuels.html.** If you have Internet access, we hope that you use this site for the most up-to-date information. Currently, we provide the following information through our Web site:

- Table of Tax Rates
- Newsletters
- Information Guides
- Motor Fuel Statutes
- Application Forms
- Licensee Listing
- Software Development Guide
- Three Methods of Filing Returns via Internet

We encourage those filers currently submitting a diskette, to consider transmitting that information through the Internet. Specific help screens will guide you through the process. The html filing method is a simple procedure with filers receiving notification when their submission is successful.

#### **FAREWELL**

We wish to say farewell to our former State Tax Commissioner, *M. Berri Balka*. Mr. Balka served from January 1991 to January 1999. One of his first duties was to establish the separate Motor Fuels Division in July 1991. We thank him for his leadership and wish him good luck.

### PIT STOP OIL (MAX OIL) UPDATE

In April 1993, Thomas W. Quintin and Sandra J. Westphal-Quintin, the corporate officers of Max Oil, were charged with 149 counts related to the nonpayment of up to \$11 million in state and federal fuel taxes. This liability resulted from their Pit Stops of America Inc., gas station and truck stop businesses located in Nebraska, Colorado, and Wyoming. At that time, the Quintins allegedly fled to the Cayman Islands. From there, they apparently moved to Canada and were recently arrested in Toronto due to alleged violation of Canadian immigration laws. Extradition proceedings are ongoing.

### MOTOR FUELS TAX

The Nebraska motor fuels tax rate for the period **January 1, 1999** through **June 30, 1999** is **22.8 cents** per gallon.



# FOR MOTOR FUELS TAXPAYER ASSISTANCE

Call your account representative or toll free 1-800-554-FUEL (1-800-554-3835). Lincoln residents call 471-5730. For \*TT (Text Telephone), dial 1-800-382-9309.

\*Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD) is designated by the use of "TT," which is consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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